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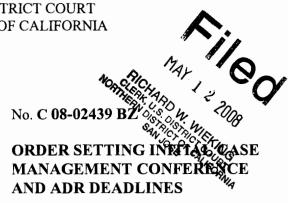
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

ADOBE SYSTEMS INCORPORATED,

Plaintiff (s),

v.

JOHN MAIELLA, ET AL., Defendant(s).



IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this action is assigned to the Honorable Bernard Zimmerman. When serving the complaint or notice of removal, the plaintiff or removing defendant must serve on all other parties a copy of this order , the Notice of Assignment of Case to a United States Magistrate Judge for Trial, and all other documents specified in Civil Local Rule 4-2. Counsel must comply with the case schedule listed below unless the Court otherwise orders.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this action is assigned to the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Multi-Option Program governed by <u>ADR Local Rule 3.</u> Counsel and clients shall familiarize themselves with that rule and with the material entitled "Dispute Resolution Procedures in the Northern District of California" on the Court ADR Internet site at <u>www.adr.cand.uscourts.gov</u>. A limited number of printed copies are available from the Clerk's Office for parties in cases not subject to the court's Electronic Case Filing program (ECF).

CASE SCHEDULE -ADR MULTI-OPTION PROGRAM

Date	Event	Governing Rule
5/12/2008	Complaint filed	
7/28/2008	*Last day to: • meet and confer re: initial disclosures, early settlement, ADR process selection, and discovery plan	FRCivP_26(f) & ADR L.R.3-5
	 file Joint ADR Certification with Stipulation to ADR Process or Notice of Need for ADR Phone Conference 	<u>Civil_L.R. 16-8</u>
8/11/2008	*Last day to file Rule 26(f) Report, complete initial disclosures or state objection in Rule 26(f) Report and file Case Management Statement per attached Standing Order re Contents of Joint Case Management Statement (also available at http://www.cand.uscourts.gov)	FRCivP 26(a) (1) Civil L.R., 16-9
8/18/2008	INITIAL CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE (CMC) in Ctrm G, 15th Floor, SF at 4:00 PM	Civil L.R. 16-10

^{*} If the Initial Case Management Conference is continued, the other deadlines are continued accordingly.

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STANDING ORDER FOR ALL JUDGES OF THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CONTENTS OF JOINT CASE MANAGEMENT STATEMENT

Commencing March 1, 2007, all judges of the Northern District of California will require the identical information in Joint Case Management Statements filed pursuant to Civil Local Rule 16-9. The parties must include the following information in their statement which, except in unusually complex cases, should not exceed ten pages:

- 1. <u>Jurisdiction and Service</u>: The basis for the court's subject matter jurisdiction over plaintiff's claims and defendant's counterclaims, whether any issues exist regarding personal jurisdiction or venue, whether any parties remain to be served, and, if any parties remain to be served, a proposed deadline for service.
- 2. <u>Facts</u>: A brief chronology of the facts and a statement of the principal factual issues in dispute.
- 3. <u>Legal Issues</u>: A brief statement, without extended legal argument, of the disputed points of law, including reference to specific statutes and decisions.
- 4. <u>Motions</u>: All prior and pending motions, their current status, and any anticipated motions.
- 5. <u>Amendment of Pleadings</u>: The extent to which parties, claims, or defenses are expected to be added or dismissed and a proposed deadline for amending the pleadings.
- 6. <u>Evidence Preservation</u>: Steps taken to preserve evidence relevant to the issues reasonably evident in this action, including interdiction of any document-destruction program and any ongoing erasures of e-mails, voice mails, and other electronically-recorded material.
- 7. <u>Disclosures</u>: Whether there has been full and timely compliance with the initial disclosure requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 26 and a description of the disclosures made.
- 8. <u>Discovery</u>: Discovery taken to date, if any, the scope of anticipated discovery, any proposed limitations or modifications of the discovery rules, and a proposed discovery plan pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f).
- 9. Class Actions: If a class action, a proposal for how and when the class will be certified.
- 10. <u>Related Cases</u>: Any related cases or proceedings pending before another judge of this court, or before another court or administrative body.
- 11. Relief: All relief sought through complaint or counterclaim, including the amount of any

damages sought and a description of the bases on which damages are calculated. In addition, any party from whom damages are sought must describe the bases on which it contends damages should be calculated if liability is established.

- 12. <u>Settlement and ADR</u>: Prospects for settlement, ADR efforts to date, and a specific ADR plan for the case, including compliance with ADR L.R. 3-5 and a description of key discovery or motions necessary to position the parties to negotiate a resolution.
- 13. <u>Consent to Magistrate Judge For All Purposes</u>: Whether all parties will consent to have a magistrate judge conduct all further proceedings including trial and entry of judgment.
- 14. Other References: Whether the case is suitable for reference to binding arbitration, a special master, or the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation.
- 15. <u>Narrowing of Issues</u>: Issues that can be narrowed by agreement or by motion, suggestions to expedite the presentation of evidence at trial (e.g., through summaries or stipulated facts), and any request to bifurcate issues, claims, or defenses.
- 16. <u>Expedited Schedule</u>: Whether this is the type of case that can be handled on an expedited basis with streamlined procedures.
- 17. <u>Scheduling</u>: Proposed dates for designation of experts, discovery cutoff, hearing of dispositive motions, pretrial conference and trial.
- 18. <u>Trial</u>: Whether the case will be tried to a jury or to the court and the expected length of the trial.
- 19. <u>Disclosure of Non-party Interested Entities or Persons</u>: Whether each party has filed the "Certification of Interested Entities or Persons" required by Civil Local Rule 3-16. **In addition**, each party must restate in the case management statement the contents of its certification by identifying any persons, firms, partnerships, corporations (including parent corporations) or other entities known by the party to have either: (i) a financial interest in the subject matter in controversy or in a party to the proceeding; or (ii) any other kind of interest that could be substantially affected by the outcome of the proceeding.
- 20. Such other matters as may facilitate the just, speedy and inexpensive disposition of this matter.

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

ORDER OF THE CHIEF JUDGE

IN RE: ELECTRONIC FILING IN CASES WITH UNREPRESENTED PARTIES

When the Electronic Case Filing (ECF/e-filing) program was established for civil cases in January 2003 (see generally General Order 45), the court's practice was to exclude from the e-filing program cases in which any party was not represented by an attorney. Pursuant to Part III of General Order 45, the court's ECF webpage provided: "All cases involving pro se parties are excluded from the e-filing program and must be filed entirely in paper, unless otherwise ordered by the court."

Effective immediately, cases with unrepresented party litigants in which at least one party is represented by an attorney will no longer be excluded from the e-filing program. All represented parties will e-file their submissions to the court on the same basis as in cases not involving pro se litigants and in compliance with all parts of General Order 45. Represented parties will be required to serve paper copies by mail on unrepresented parties only. As before, unrepresented litigants will continue to file and serve all submissions to the court in paper form unless prior leave is obtained from the assigned judge in a particular case.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Date: May 11, 2007

United States District Chief Judge

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT OF CASE TO A UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR TRIAL

Pursuant to General Order 44, the Assignment Plan of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, this case has been randomly assigned to Magistrate Judge

Pursuant to Title 28 U.S.C. § 636(c), with written consent of all parties, a magistrate judge may conduct all proceedings in the case. Attached is a form to complete if you consent to proceed before the assigned magistrate judge and a form to complete if you decline to proceed before the assigned magistrate judge. Electronic versions of both forms are also available at the Court's Internet site: http://www.cand.uscourts.gov. Click on Forms-Civil. A party is free to withhold consent without adverse consequences. If a party declines to consent, the case will be randomly reassigned to a district judge and a case management conference will be scheduled on the district judge's calendar as close as possible to the date presently scheduled before the magistrate judge.

You must file your consent or declination by the deadline for filing the initial case management statement.

The plaintiff or removing party shall serve a copy of this notice and all attachments upon all other parties to this action pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 4 and 5.

> FOR THE COURT RICHARD W. WIEKING, CLERK

By: Deputy Clerk

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